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EXPORT TRADE BY COMMODITY

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the increase in United States exports of domestic merchandise, from $1,662.2 million in August to $1,742.3 million in September[1], a gain of about five percent, was primarily the result of increases in exports of finished manufactures, crude materials, and semimanufactures. The September 1962 domestic merchandise export total was about eight percent higher than the September 1961 total of $1,614.3 million. These totals include data on Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments.

With Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments excluded, exports of domestic merchandise totaled $1,692.1 in September, a level about five percent above the August total of $1,614.3 million and about ten percent above the September 1961 total of $1,539.8 million.

Exports of finished manufactures rose from $978.5 million in August to $1,012.3 million in September, reflecting in part, increases in exports of individual items included in this economic class as follows: passenger cars, from $8.3 to $19.4 million; automobile parts for assembly and replacement, from $49.4 to $57.1 million; aircraft, parts and accessories, from $84.6 to 89.7 million; office, accounting, and computing machines and parts, from $20.3 to $25.3 million; textile, sewing and shoe machinery, from $12.8 to $17.0 million; lubricating oil, from $19.6 to $23.0 million; and metalworking machines and parts, from $14.4 to $16.6 million. However, these were partly offset by a decrease in exports of construction, excavating, mining, oil field, and related machinery, from $75.4 to $64.8 million. Exports of crude materials climbed from $155.7 to $186.2 million owing chiefly to an increase in exports of unmanufactured tobacco from $27.9 to $64.8 million. The increase in exports of semimanufactures, from $265.1 million to $279.5 million, was partly due to increases in exports of coal-tar and other cyclic chemical products, from $14.7 to $18.5 million; plastics and resin materials, from $23.5 to $26.3 million; aluminum semimanufactures, from $9.4 to $12.0 million; and synthetic rubber, from $16.6 to $19.1 million. Although exports of manufactured foodstuffs advanced from $109.7 to $111.8 million, there was a notable decrease in exports of one of the commodities included in this economic class, refined vegetable oils, fats, and waxes, which dropped from $10.1 to $5.1 million.

Exports of crude foodstuffs were valued at $152.6 million in September, a level about the same as the August total of $153.1 million. However, there were sizable counterbalancing changes in exports of several commodities included in this economic class, among which were,corn, which fell from $39.3 to $27.7 million; and wheat, which rose from $74.3 to $81.6 million.

[1]See the September 1962 issue of Report No. FT 900-E for seasonally-adjusted figures on total exports, excluding Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments. Seasonally-adjusted data are not available on a commodity basis.

EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS

COVERAGE: Export statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments to foreign countries. The export statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments (for which separate figures are shown in the footnotes of this report), Mutual Security Program economic assistance shipments, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. (The separate information which is available on exports under P.L. 480 and related laws may be obtained from the Economic Research Service and the Foreign Agricultural Service of the Department of Agriculture. Shipments to United States armed forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are excluded from export statistics. United States trade with Puerto Rico and United States possessions is not included in this report, but the export trade of Puerto Rico with foreign countries is included as a part of the United States export trade. Merchandise shipped in transit through the United States between foreign countries, not entered as imports, is not included in export statistics.

VALUATION: The valuation definition used in the export statistics is the value at the seaport, border point, or airport of exportation. It is based on the selling price (or cost if not sold) and includes inland freight, insurance, and other charges to the port of exportation. Transportation and other costs beyond the United States port of exportation are excluded. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

RELIABILITY: The statistics presented in this report are based partly on sample data and therefore are subject to sampling variation that may cause them to differ somewhat from the results which would have been obtained from processing all export documents. For the figures shown in this report the sampling variability can be ignored since the probable variability due to sampling is either less than $50,000 (the largest variation from rounding of figures) or less than a trivial percentage of the individual totals shown. In addition to the effects of sampling variation, the data in this report are subject to errors from such sources as the carry-over of data from month to month, errors in reporting or processing, the estimation of shipments valued under $100 (estimated data for such shipments are included in the over-all export total and in the totals for "Finished manufactures" and "All other finished manufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1" but excluded from other totals), and the omission of parcel post shipments valued under $50. Although the effect of such errors on the rounded totals in this report is probably small, the possibility of inaccuracy should be taken into account, particularly in using figures of relatively small magnitude.

Further information regarding coverage, valuation, compilation procedures and precision of export data is contained in the foreword of Report No. FT 410. For complete statement, see foreword in Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States.

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UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE, BY ECONOMIC CLASSES AND LEADING COMMODITIES: SEPTEMBER 1962 AND SELECTED PERIODS

(Quantity in units indicated; value in millions of dollars. Figures for 1962 are as originally issued and have not been revised to include published corrections. Figures for 1961 include revisions published with the December 1961 reports, or earlier, but do not include revisions published during 1962. Totals represent sum of unrounded figures, hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts.)

Economic class and commodity[1]		September 1962	August 1962	September 1961	Monthly average 1961
Total	value..	[2]1,742.3	[3]1,662.2	[4]1,614.3	[5]1,719.0
Crude materials	value..	186.2	155.7	202.5	212.2
Hides and skins, raw, except furs	value..	6.7	8.5	6.4	7.2
Animal and fish oils and greases, inedible	1,000 lb..	129,396	135,573	141,566	149,670
	value..	7.8	8.8	9.9	10.9
Oilseeds	value..	20.7	23.0	11.5	30.5
Tobacco, unmanufactured	1,000 lb..	77,732	35,009	81,762	41,741
	value..	64.8	27.9	66.6	32.6
Cotton, unmanufactured	1,000 bales..	192	150	331	560
	value..	23.2	19.9	44.8	73.7
Coal	1,000 s.tons..	4,122	4,465	3,930	3,043
	value..	38.0	41.5	36.2	28.5
Crude petroleum	1,000 bbl..	95	184	130	269
	value..	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.7
All other crude materials	value..	24.8	25.7	26.9	28.1
Crude foodstuffs	value..	152.6	153.1	145.9	158.1
Corn	1,000 bu..	22,817	32,723	24,382	24,413
	value..	27.7	39.3	29.4	30.3
Wheat	1,000 bu..	44,356	40,634	44,521	52,388
	value..	81.6	74.3	81.9	92.9
Other grains	value..	24.4	21.4	15.7	13.8
Vegetables, fresh or dried	1,000 lb..	63,819	41,286	62,840	108,582
	value..	4.1	2.4	4.2	5.7
Fruits, fresh or frozen	1,000 lb..	105,252	113,854	120,069	126,876
	value..	8.7	9.4	9.7	9.9
Crude foodstuffs exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies	value..	1.6	2.2	0.9	0.6
All other crude foodstuffs	value..	4.5	4.1	4.1	5.0
Manufactured foodstuffs	value..	111.8	109.7	79.5	96.4
Meat and meat products	1,000 lb..	41,774	36,935	40,651	41,833
	value..	12.3	11.1	12.3	12.3
Lard	1,000 lb..	33,565	34,512	21,784	34,886
	value..	3.0	3.1	2.2	3.9
Dairy products	1,000 lb..	35,220	36,914	40,901	37,629
	value..	6.6	7.5	6.8	7.3
Fish, canned, prepared, etc	1,000 lb..	2,503	1,724	1,320	2,381
	value..	1.1	0.9	0.7	1.1
Milled rice	1,000,000 lb..	133	86	51	147
	value..	8.8	6.0	3.2	8.7
Wheat flour	1,000 cwt..	2,045	2,334	1,536	2,511
	value..	8.3	9.1	6.4	9.5
Vegetables, canned and prepared	value..	4.4	4.5	3.2	3.4
Fruits, dried and evaporated	1,000 lb..	17,050	14,755	10,942	17,191
	value..	3.9	3.1	2.5	3.4
Canned fruits	1,000 lb..	100,749	95,493	56,261	37,190
	value..	12.4	11.7	7.3	5.1
Fruit juices	1,000 gal..	2,304	2,580	2,181	2,877
	value..	2.7	3.1	3.1	3.8
Vegetable oils, fats and waxes, refined	1,000 lb..	44,072	86,517	28,805	44,497
	value..	5.1	10.1	4.6	6.7
Sugar and related products	value..	2.3	1.7	1.8	1.6
Manufactured foodstuffs exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies	value..	17.7	16.5	9.7	13.3
All other manufactured foodstuffs	value..	23.1	21.3	15.8	16.2
Semimanufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1[6]	value..	279.5	265.1	249.9	273.9
Leather	value..	2.7	2.7	4.0	3.9
Synthetic rubber	1,000 lb..	73,263	65,823	51,298	55,437
	value..	19.1	16.6	13.3	14.3

See footnotes at end of table.

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Economic class and commodity[1]	September 1962	August 1962	September 1961	Monthly average 1961
Semimanufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1[6]—Continued				
Naval Stores, gums and resins.....value..	4.9	4.7	4.9	4.4
Vegetable oils and fats, crude.....1,000 lb..	77,637	71,320	25,981	44,923
value..	6.8	6.3	3.5	5.8
Cotton semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	32,349	32,078	26,725	27,916
value..	4.9	4.7	3.8	4.0
Wool semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	14,023	12,900	11,234	11,901
value..	2.2	2.1	1.8	1.8
Rayon, nylon and other man-made textile semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	20,275	20,368	13,309	15,663
value..	15.4	15.4	11.0	12.0
Sawmill products.....1,000 bd.ft..	58,841	56,707	66,261	64,358
value..	7.5	7.3	7.3	7.2
Wood pulp.....1,000 s.tons..	100	101	79	98
value..	12.8	13.6	10.5	13.3
Fuel oil, distillate and residual.....1,000 bbl..	1,700	1,586	1,217	1,738
value..	4.7	4.4	3.1	4.8
Sulfur.....1,000 l.tons..	131	132	98	132
value..	3.0	3.1	2.3	2.9
Steel mill products, semifinished.....value..	2.6	5.5	1.7	1.7
Iron and steel bars, including bar size shapes.....1,000 lb..	27,249	15,913	22,334	15,219
value..	2.8	1.9	2.3	1.9
Iron and steel plates, sheets and strips.....1,000 lb..	138,148	145,207	109,418	110,625
value..	15.5	16.7	12.2	12.9
Tin mill products, including tin mill black plate.....1,000 lb..	66,935	84,717	84,273	80,085
value..	5.5	6.6	6.7	6.3
Other iron and steel semimanufactures.....value..	20.7	15.4	32.3	32.9
Aluminum semimanufactures.....value..	12.0	9.4	6.8	9.4
Copper semimanufactures.....value..	18.0	17.3	15.4	23.0
Coal-tar and other cyclic chemical products.....value..	18.5	14.7	15.5	15.5
Plastics and resin materials.....1,000 lb..	83,356	67,897	69,052	69,744
value..	26.3	23.5	22.7	22.8
Industrial chemicals, exclusive of Special Category Type 1[6]...value..	27.3	29.7	23.2	24.9
Pigments.....1,000 lb..	57,856	44,492	54,388	55,870
value..	6.1	4.9	5.2	5.6
Nitrogenous chemical fertilizer materials[7].....1,000 lb..	102,462	119,287	35,649	62,553
value..	1.6	1.9	1.1	2.0
All other semimanufactures, excl. Special Category Type 1[6,7]..value..	38.8	36.5	39.2	40.6
Finished manufactures.....value..	1,012.3	978.5	936.4	978.4
Truck, bus, and automobile tires (casings), new.....thousands..	111	103	91	81
value..	3.3	2.9	3.1	2.8
Other rubber manufactures.....value..	9.3	9.4	8.6	8.7
Cigarettes.....millions..	2,188	2,062	1,970	1,861
value..	9.7	9.1	8.7	8.1
Other tobacco manufactures.....value..	1.6	0.8	0.9	0.9
Cotton cloth.....value..	8.6	9.2	10.4	10.5
Other cotton manufactures.....value..	8.1	7.1	7.2	8.1
Wool manufactures.....value..	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.7
Rayon, nylon and other man-made textile manufactures.....value..	13.6	12.9	12.6	13.2
Other textile manufactures.....value..	5.7	7.1	6.1	6.3
Wood manufactures, advanced.....value..	2.7	3.0	2.9	3.0
Paper and manufactures.....value..	25.2	25.4	22.2	23.4
Motor fuel and gasoline, including jet fuels (all types).....value..	3.9	3.2	3.9	3.9
Lubricating oil.....value..	23.0	19.6	16.4	18.2
Glass and products.....value..	8.2	8.4	7.2	7.0
Steel mill manufactures.....value..	12.5	11.3	10.0	11.0
Metal manufactures, n.e.c.....value..	38.7	38.8	36.1	35.6
Electric household refrigerators and freezers.....number..	19,127	19,633	17,433	22,428
value..	2.7	2.7	3.0	3.5
Radio and television apparatus.....value..	27.3	27.4	28.5	28.1
Other electrical machinery and apparatus.....value..	69.6	68.6	58.4	61.9
Power generating machinery, n.e.c.....value..	24.4	25.6	18.4	20.1
Construction, excavating, mining, oil field, and related machinery.....value..	64.8	75.4	68.4	64.6
Machine tools (including metal-forming machine tools) and parts, exclusive of Special Category Type 1[6].....value..	26.0	26.8	24.3	24.8
Metalworking machines and parts, except machine tools and parts.....value..	16.5	14.4	13.8	15.2
Textile, sewing and shoe machinery.....value..	17.0	12.8	13.0	15.0
Other industrial machinery and parts.....value..	90.5	91.7	86.2	88.8

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Economic class and commodity[1]		September 1962	August 1962	September 1961	Monthly average 1961
Finished manufactures—Continued					
Office, accounting, and computing machines and parts	value..	25.3	20.3	23.4	25.9
Agricultural machines, implements and parts	value..	9.9	12.1	7.9	12.0
Tractors	number..	2,506	2,803	2,049	5,536
	value..	14.1	15.8	15.9	17.3
Tractor parts and accessories	value..	12.3	13.6	12.8	12.6
Motor trucks and busses, commercial (new)	number..	6,374	9,559	11,238	12,651
	value..	15.8	20.1	22.7	24.3
Passenger cars, nonmilitary (new)	number..	11,256	5,307	5,044	8,704
	value..	19.4	8.3	11.1	17.9
Automobile parts for assembly and replacement	value..	57.1	49.4	42.2	46.1
Military automobiles, trucks, busses, trailers, parts, accessories and service equipment; commercial maintenance and repair trucks (new)	value..	16.1	5.2	5.7	5.5
Aircraft, parts and accessories	value..	89.7	84.6	100.6	102.8
Merchant ships, nonmilitary, n.e.c.	number..	7	16	8	10
	value..	0.4	1.0	3.8	2.2
Railway transportation equipment	value..	14.0	15.2	12.6	13.6
Antibiotics	value..	4.1	4.6	5.1	5.8
Other medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations	value..	17.7	17.1	17.6	17.1
Soap and toilet preparations	value..	2.1	1.9	1.9	2.0
Small arms, machine guns, parts and accessories, n.e.c.	value..	1.3	5.4	3.5	3.4
Ammunition, components and parts	value..	14.8	10.3	19.6	16.7
Special Category Type 1[6]	value..	23.7	25.1	17.7	25.2
All other finished manufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1[6]	value..	160.7	153.8	141.3	144.5

[1]Based on commodity classifications in Schedule B. Statistical Classification of Domestic and Foreign Commodities Exported from the United States. A Supplement to Report No. FT 930-E showing the Schedule B numbers included in the individual economic class and commodity totals is available on request. [2]Includes $50.2 million of Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments ($4.8 million to Western Europe). [3]Includes $47.9 million of Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments ($11.0 million to Western Europe). [4]Includes $74.5 million of Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments ($30.4 million to Western Europe). [5]Includes $67.5 million of Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments ($27.5 million to Western Europe). [6]See the January 1961 issue of Report No. FT 410 for explanation of Special Category commodities and list of commodities included. [7]In issues of this report prior to January 1962, information on exports of merchandise reported under Schedule B commodity number 82721 (Vulcanized fiber sheets, rolls, strips, rods, tubes, and other shapes solely made therefrom) was erroneously included in "Nitrogenous chemical fertilizer materials" instead of "All other semimanufactures." The 1961 figures shown in this report have been revised to correct this error.